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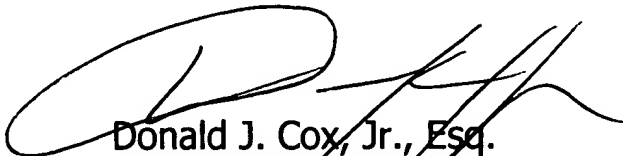
In accordance with Applicant's and Applicant's representatives' Duty of Disclosure under 37 CFR ' 1.56, and pursuant to 37 CFR '1.97 and MPEP 717.05(b), Applicant(s) submit herewith documentary information for consideration by the Examiner. Information herein cited is only set forth in fulfillment of Applicant's duty of candor in disclosing all information brought to his attention, and is not an admission that it can be used adversely. The publications forwarded herewith are listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Applicant(s) request that the Examiner, upon reviewing the enclosed materials, initial the enclosed form and return a copy thereof in accordance with the instructions on the form.

This application relies, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, on the earlier filing date of prior application Serial No. 09/022,578 filed on February 12, 1998 and Serial No. 09/891,132 filed on June 25, 2001.

Enclosed please find Form PTO-1449 listing references that were submitted to, and/or cited by, the Office in the prior application and, therefore, are not required to be provided in this application.

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